

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Please substitute the enclosed Replacement Sheet containing FIGS. 4-6C for the corresponding sheet of the drawings as filed. An Annotated Marked-up Drawing shows the reference numeral correction in FIG. 5 of this drawing sheet.

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-9 and 11-13 are presented for prosecution in the present application.

Allowance of claims 1, 3-9 and 11-12 is noted and appreciated.

Claim 13 has been rejected as being anticipated by Kusz 5,803,287. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendment to claim 13.

Claim 13 recites a container having a finish with an open mouth surrounded by an end 36 and an internal tapered surface 40 that extends to this end. The end 36 of the finish 28 is clearly illustrated in amended FIG. 5, as is the internal tapered surface 40 that extends to the end 36. (The reference numeral correction in FIG. 5 clearly is supported at page 4, lines 20-22 of the application text as filed.)

The container finish 28 in Kusz clearly has an end. However, the only internal tapered surfaces in Kusz are the unnumbered axially spaced end surfaces of the unnumbered internal channel or groove shown for example in FIGS. 6 and 12. Neither of these unnumbered internal tapered surfaces extends to the end surface of the container finish. Thus, Kusz clearly does not anticipate claim 13 as amended. Nor do the groove end surfaces in Kusz suggest the function performed by the tapered surface 40 in application FIG. 5, for example, which is to cooperate with the closure wall 58 to develop a spring force employed in the child resistance feature of the overall package. Thus, the container recited in amended claim 13 would not have been obvious in view of the Kusz disclosure.

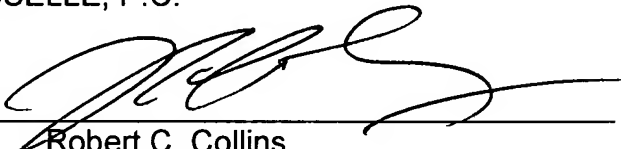
It therefore is believed and respectfully submitted that all claims 1, 3-9 and 11-13 remaining in the application are allowable at this time, and favorable action is respectfully solicited.

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Annotated Marked-Up Drawing

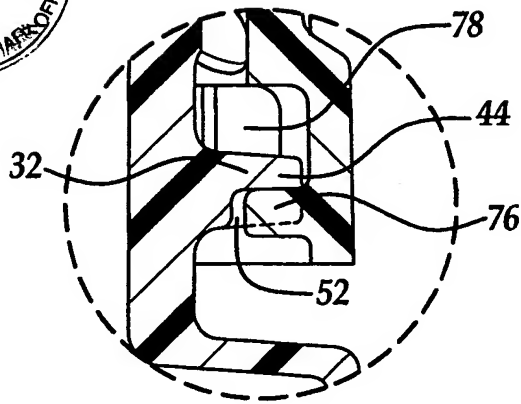


Figure 4

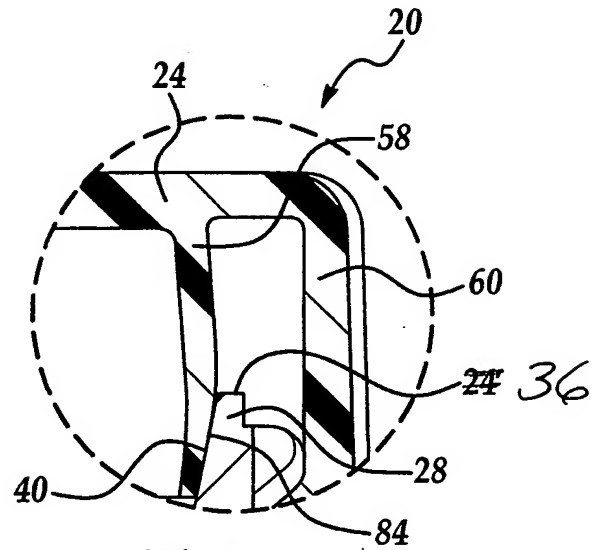


Figure 5

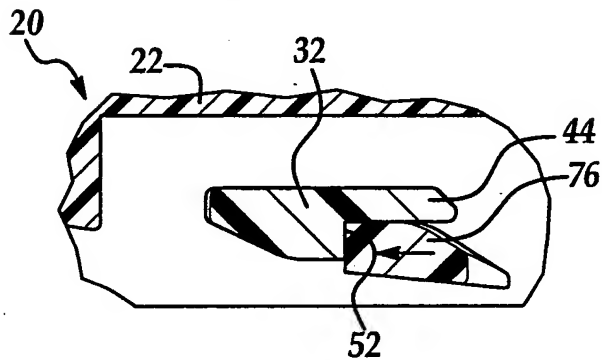


Figure 6

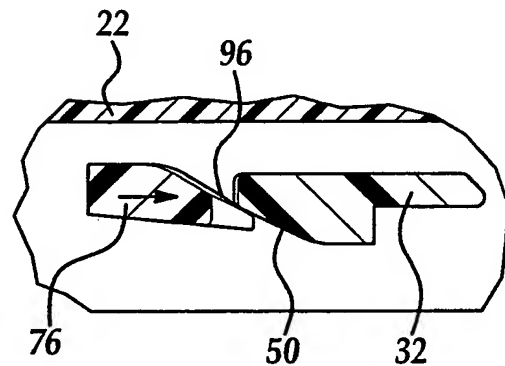


Figure 6A

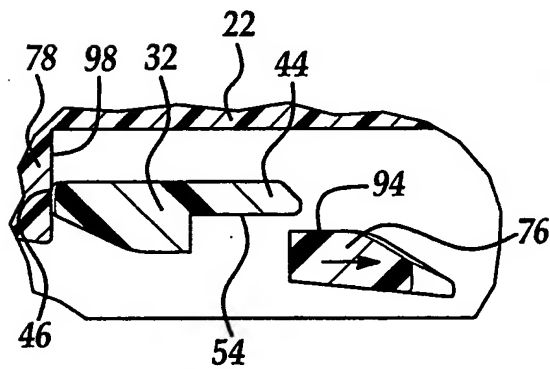


Figure 6B

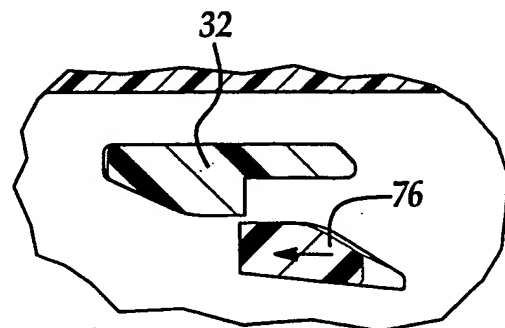


Figure 6C